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FCC CHAIRMAN MARTIN APPOINTS CO-CHAIRPERSONS TO THE 2011 WORLD RADIOCOMMUNICATION CONFERENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Washington, D.C. – Today, as part of its preparations for the next World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-11) scheduled to convene in 2011, FCC Chairman Kevin J. Martin announced the appointment of Thomas J. Navin and R. Paul Margie as Co-Chairs of the FCC’s Advisory Committee for the 2011 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-11). This Committee will be tasked with providing advice, technical analyses, and specific recommendations on matters relating to the WRC-11.

“Both Tom and Paul have demonstrated an exceptional willingness to forge agreement and consensus on difficult, complex issues,” Chairman Martin said. “With their experience, I am confident that preparations for the next World Radiocommunication Conference will prove successful.”

Thomas Navin is a partner in the Washington law firm of Wiley Rein LLP, where he focuses on legal and regulatory issues faced by communications companies. Previously, Mr. Navin was the Chief of the Federal Communications Commission’s Wireline Competition Bureau and Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau’s Policy Division. Mr. Navin received a B.S. from Wake Forest University, and a J.D. from the University of Virginia, where he was an Executive Editor of the Virginia Journal of International Law.

Paul Margie is a partner with the law firm of Harris, Wiltshire & Grannis LLP, where he focuses on telecommunications and technology law and policy. Previously, Mr. Margie was the Senior Director for Technology Partnerships at the United Nations Foundation. Mr. Margie has served in senior positions at the FCC and on Capitol Hill as Legal Advisor to FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps and Senior Commerce Counsel for Senator John D. Rockefeller IV. Mr. Margie received a B.A. *with honors* from Haverford College, and a J.D. *with honors* from the University of Chicago, where he was an Editor-in-Chief of the University of Chicago Legal Forum.

Alex Roytblat, Assistant Chief of the Strategic Analysis and Negotiations Division of the FCC’s International Bureau will direct the Commission’s WRC-11 preparatory activities and serve as the Designated Federal Official to the Advisory Committee. Mr. Roytblat directed the Commission’s preparatory activities for the 2007 World Radiocommunication Conference.

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